USAID Invites Proposals for Flood Assistance Programs

USAID/Pakistan and USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA), in collaboration with the Government of Pakistan's National Disaster Management Authority, are working to respond to emergency needs resulting from this year's floods.

As part of its response efforts, USAID/OFDA is making \$5.5 million available through the existing Responding to Pakistan's Internally Displaced (RAPID) fund, managed by Concern Worldwide, to meet emergency needs in the most flood-affected districts of Badin, Khairpur, Mirupurkhas, Sanghar, Shaheed Benazirabad, Tando Allahyar, Tando Mohammad Khan, and Umerkot in Sindh Province. USAID/OFDA and Concern will accept three-month proposals for up to \$300,000 that meet priority shelter, health, non-food item, and water, sanitation, and hygiene needs.

USAID/OFDA invites national and international non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to apply for RAPID funding. More information about the RAPID fund, including application instructions, can be found at http://www.concern-pak.org.pk/rapid_flood_response.html. Interested NGOs should start by reading the RAPID Fund Fact Sheet, which will answer most questions about the funding mechanism, and then complete the Financial Management Self-Assessment Form. It is important to note that only registered, non-profit NGOs that are legally permitted to provide humanitarian assistance by the Pakistani authorities are eligible to apply.

Questions regarding the RAPID fund, including application instructions, can be directed to assistant.programrapid@concern.net. Applicants should not contact or send proposals directly to USAID/OFDA.